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## **WET MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY CLINIC RECEIVES \$25,000 GRANT FROM USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

Westcliffe, CO – Wet Mountain Community Clinic received a \$25,000 Grant to assist with upgrading their billing and information system from USDA Rural Development. Funding provided through the Community Facility Program will be used to purchase computers and other hardware needed for the new system. The clinic has been servicing residents and visitors of the Wet Mountain Valley for over 30 years. This new system will allow the clinic to convert from a DOS based scheduling and billing system to an automated Practice Management System.

“USDA Rural Development is committed to the future of our rural communities. By providing this funding, the clinic will be able to better service residents in a more timely and efficient manner,” said Joe Hostetler, Acting State Director, Colorado USDA Rural Development. “Our mission at Rural Development is to deliver programs in a way which will increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life of rural Colorado residents,” said Hostetler.

As a venture capital entity, Rural Development provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure. Further information on rural programs is available at a local USDA Rural Development office or by visiting Colorado’s web site at <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/co/index.html>

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